Claims

1. An interactive computer controlled display system with speech command input recognition comprising:

means for predetermining a plurality of speech commands each associated with a corresponding plurality of system actions,

means for concurrently detecting speech commands and speech queries for locating commands,

means responsive to a detected speech command for carrying out the system action corresponding to the command, and

- means responsive to a detected speech query for attempting to locate commands applicable to said query.
 - The system of claim 1 further including means for
 displaying said detected speech query.
 - 1 3. The system of claim 2 further including means for
 - 2 displaying located commands applicable to said query.
 - 1 4. The system of claim 3 further including means
 - 2 responsive to a detected speech query for modifying a
 - 3 displayed prior speech query whereby a user may speak a
 - 4 displayed located command to activate said means for
 - 5 carrying out a system action or speak a query to modify
 - 6 said prior query to locate commands other than said
 - 7 displayed commands without switching between command and
 - 8 query modes of speech detection.
 - 1 5. The system of claim 4 wherein said means for
 - 2 modifying said prior speech query replaces said prior
 - 3 query with a new speech query.

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6. A method for providing speech command input to an interactive computer controlled display system with speech command input recognition comprising:

predetermining a plurality of speech commands each associated with a corresponding plurality of system actions,

concurrently detecting speech commands and speech queries for locating commands,

9 responsive to a detected speech command, carrying 10 out the system action corresponding to the command, and

responsive to a detected speech query, attempting to locate commands applicable to said query.

- 7. The method of claim 6 further including the step of displaying said detected speech query.
- 1 8. The method of claim 7 further including the step of
- 2 displaying located commands applicable to said query.
- 1 9. The method of claim 8 further including the step
- 2 responsive to a detected speech query of modifying a
- 3 displayed prior speech query whereby a user may speak a
- 4 displayed located command to activate said carrying out
- 5 of a system action or speak a query to modify said prior
- 6 query to locate commands other than said displayed
- 7 commands without switching between command and query
- 8 modes of speech detection.
- 1 10. The method of claim 9 wherein said step of modifying
- 2 said prior speech query replaces said prior query with a
- 3 new speech query.

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query.

11. A computer program having program code included on a computer readable medium for speech command input recognition in an interactive computer controlled display system comprising:

means for predetermining a plurality of speech commands each associated with a corresponding plurality of system actions,

means for concurrently detecting speech commands and speech queries for locating commands,

means responsive to a detected speech command for carrying out the system action corresponding to the command, and

means responsive to a detected speech query for attempting to locate commands applicable to said query.

- 1 12. The computer program of claim 11 further including 2 means for displaying said detected speech query.
- 13. The computer program of claim 12 further including
 means for displaying located commands applicable to said
- 1 14. The computer program of claim 13 further including
- 3 a displayed prior speech query whereby a user may speak a

means responsive to a detected speech query for modifying

- 4 displayed located command to activate said means for
- 5 carrying out a system action or speak a query to modify
- 6 said prior query to locate commands other than said
- 7 displayed commands without switching between command and
- 8 query modes of speech detection.

- 1 15. The computer program of claim 14 wherein said means
- 2 for modifying said prior speech query replaces said prior
- 3 query with a new speech query.